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Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Portfolio Questions - Pilot Grouping of Questions

The Presiding Officer has decided to group the following questions at next week's Portfolio Questions:

Social Security and Older People: Questions 1 and 4.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 20 November 2019

Tuesday 26 November 2019

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Fr. Leonard Chiti, Head of the Province of Zambia and Malawi Jesuits, and Member of the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund Integral Human Development Committee

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland as a Science Nation

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-19246 Elaine Smith: The Positive Contribution of Catholic Schools

Wednesday 27 November 2019

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Communities and Local Government
Social Security and Older People

followed by Scottish Liberal Democrat Party Debate: Mental Health

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-19772 Rona Mackay: 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence

Thursday 28 November 2019

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-19741 Tom Arthur: St Andrew's Day 2019

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Finance, Economy and Fair Work

followed by Ministerial Statement: Final Report of the Women in Agriculture Taskforce

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 3 December 2019

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 December 2019

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform; Rural Economy

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 December 2019

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

26 November 2019

32nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Environment (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 [draft] from—
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform;
Elspeth MacDonald, Environmental Quality & Circular Economy Division, and Lorraine Walkinshaw, Solicitor, Environmental Protection Branch, Rural Affairs Division, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Roseanna Cunningham (Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform) to move—S5M-19962—That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Environment (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.
3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform;
Graham Black, Director, Marine Scotland;
Simon Fuller, Deputy Director, Economic Analysis, Office of the Chief Economic Adviser, and Clare Hamilton, Deputy Director, Decarbonisation Division, Scottish Government;
and then from—
Kate Forbes, Minister for Public Finance and Digital Economy;
Dougie McLaren, Deputy Director, Budget and Public Spending Division, Rachel Gwyon, Deputy Director, Infrastructure and Investment Division, Sasha Maguire, Senior Economic Adviser, Office of the Chief Economic Adviser, and Clare Hamilton, Deputy Director, Decarbonisation Division, Scottish Government.
4. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21 (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will review its work programme.
6. **Proposed Deposit and Return Scheme (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at ecclr.committee@parliament.scot.

Health and Sport Committee

26 November 2019

28th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:40 am in Perth and Kinross Council Chambers

1. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Scottish Government.

Not before 10.00 am

2. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Tayside:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Grant Archibald, Chief Executive, Lorna Birse-Stewart, Vice Chair, Stuart Lyall, Interim Director of Finance, Gordon Paterson, Chief Officer, Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board, Peter Stonebridge, Medical Director, and Lorna Wiggin, Chief Officer, Acute Services, NHS Tayside.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 3 December, the Committee expects to take evidence from the State Hospitals Board for Scotland as part of its continued scrutiny of NHS Boards. The Committee also expects to consider EU Exit legislation. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Cullum on 0131 348 5210 or by email HealthandSport@parliament.scot

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

26 November 2019

33rd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Moveable Transactions Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Dr Andrew Steven, former Scottish Law Commissioner;

Dr Ross Anderson, Advocate;

Professor George Gretton, Emeritus Lord President Reid Professor of Law, University of Edinburgh and former Scottish Law Commissioner;

Bruce Wood, Consultant, Morton Fraser Lawyers, Solicitors;

Dr Hamish Patrick, Head of Financial Sector, Shepherd and Wedderburn, Solicitors.

3. **Moveable Transactions Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Consumer Scotland Bill:** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.
5. **Renewable Heat Target (in private):** The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Government on the renewable heat target.

Proposed future business

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The Committee will next meet on 10 December. For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are economy@parliament.scot on extension 0131 348 5403.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

26 November 2019

32nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
- Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Police Pensions Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/380\);](#)
[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/381\);](#)
[Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/382\);](#)
[Scottish Tribunals \(Eligibility for Appointment\) Amendment Regulations \(SSI 2019/384\);](#)
[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/393\)](#)
- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 2, Saving and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/377 \(C.19\)\);](#)
[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 3\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/385 \(C.20\)\);](#)
[Vulnerable Witnesses \(Criminal Evidence\) \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 1 and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/392 \(C.21\)\)](#)
- Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
- Quarterly report:** The Committee will consider a draft quarterly report for the parliamentary year from 10 May 2019 to 16 September 2019.

Proposed future business

For further information on the work of the committee, please contact the clerk to the committee Andrew Proudfoot by telephone 0131 348 5212 or by email dplr@parliament.scot.

Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee

26 November 2019

1st Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Declarations:** Members of the Committee will be invited to declare any relevant interests, and to make a declaration under Rule 9A.5.4A.
2. **Choice of Convener:** The Committee will choose a new Convener.
3. **Choice of Deputy Convener:** The Committee will choose a new Deputy Convener.
4. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private. The Committee will also decide whether its consideration of any issues for its Preliminary Stage report, and its draft Preliminary Stage report, should be taken in private at future meetings.
5. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Preliminary Stage.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Felicity Hollands on 0131 348 6234 or by email private.bills@parliament.scot

Justice Committee 26 November 2019 29th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will receive a briefing from—
Simon Stockwell, Head of Family Law Unit, Iain Fitheridge, Head of Children's Hearings Team, Hannah Frodsham, Family Law Unit, Shona Spence, Looked after Children Team, Margaret Main, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Jamie Bowman, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, and Victoria Morton, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
2. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 21 November 2019.
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to Stage 1 scrutiny.
4. **Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact Stephen Imrie, Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email stephen.imrie@parliament.scot

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Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
- *...* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S5M-20013](#) Annabelle Ewing: Crossgates Primary School Pupil Named Community First Aid Champion 2019**—That the Parliament notes the Scottish First Aid Awards, which were held on 15 November 2019 in Glasgow; further notes the success of the Crossgates Primary School pupil, Alfie Thomson, who was unanimously named Community First Aid Champion 2019; applauds Alfie on his efforts in learning about CPR through a Junior First Aid Course and also qualifying as a Junior Lifeguard; understands that Alfie has taught around 100 other pupils how to do CPR, planning his lessons and sourcing dummies in his own time; further understands that he wants to be a paramedic when he is older; commends the way Alfie has learned proactively and willingly shared his skills with others, and believes that he has a bright future ahead of him.

***[S5M-20011](#) Angela Constance: Keep Scotland Beautiful Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Crofthead Community Garden in Livingston on being presented with an "It's Your Neighbourhood" award by Keep Scotland Beautiful; understands that the accolade celebrates the efforts of the group to clean up and improve the local community; acknowledges that more than 160 groups from across Scotland were recognised for their commitment to improving their neighbourhoods; commends the efforts of all the volunteers involved, and wishes them every success for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Emma Harper*

***[S5M-20010](#) Angela Constance: West Lothian Friends of Chernobyl**—That the Parliament congratulates all volunteers involved with the West Lothian Friends of Chernobyl charity on their recent visit to children and families in Belarus to deliver food parcels; understands that the group pays a visit twice yearly to visit families that are known to them, but are now travelling to remote villages beside the exclusion zone to find new children to add to the group in future; acknowledges that 11 new children have been selected to come to West Lothian to live with host families for one month in 2020; commends the fundraising efforts throughout the year by the charity to enable them to help families in need, and wishes them every success for the future.

Supported by: Andy Wightman*, Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Emma Harper*

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***[S5M-20009](#) Jeremy Balfour: Heriot-Watt University Announces Strategic Development in Dubai**—That the Parliament acknowledges the delivery of a major new Heriot-Watt University campus in the heart of Dubai; understands that the university recently signed an agreement with the TECOM Group, which is part of the Dubai Government’s sovereign investment vehicle; notes that, in 2021, the university will move to a new state-of-the-art, seven-storey building in the Dubai Knowledge Park, which is adjacent to a vibrant business community; acknowledges that the Dubai campus is a key part of the university’s future, which is set out in its new Strategy 2025 plan; commends Heriot-Watt University Dubai which, since its opening in 2005, has grown into what is considered one of the largest and most comprehensive international university campuses in the UAE, now supporting around 4,000 students on campus, which represents 19% of the Dubai Higher Education market; understands that Scottish students benefit greatly from opportunities to study at the university’s campuses in Dubai and Malaysia, bringing a global perspective to their studies, and applauds the alumni community of around 132,000 people in 190 countries which it considers delivers tremendous benefit to industry and society around the world, providing specialist skills and knowledge to enable positive change.

Supported by: Edward Mountain*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Richard Lyle*

***[S5M-20008](#) Annie Wells: MENSELF £8,000 Cash Boost from the Scotch Whisky Action Fund**—That the Parliament congratulates MENSELF on receiving £8,000 from the Scotch Whisky Action Fund; understands that it will run an inter-generational DRUMBEAT group for men aged between 14 and 45; notes that DRUMBEAT (Discovering Relationships Using Music, Beliefs, Emotions, Attitudes, and Thoughts) is an evidence-based programme, which was developed in Australia using tribal drumming to facilitate positive social interaction, behavioural and resilience principles; understands that educational group work sessions at the Men’s Resource Centre will complement this by focusing on health and lifestyle choices, including alcohol misuse and other issues; acknowledges that the Alcohol Education Trust’s “Talk About Alcohol” programme will be used as a resource by the group, which involves participants learning about the short- and long-term effects of alcohol on the body, units and consumption guidelines, alcohol and the law, peer pressure and the wider impacts of alcohol-related harm in the community, and understands that the outcomes for men will be an increased awareness of the effects of the misuse of alcohol and improved health and wellbeing, as well as building confidence and self-esteem, which can support improved decision-making and life choices.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*

***[S5M-20007](#) Annie Wells: Govan Youth Information Project Receives £10,000**—That the Parliament congratulates Govan Youth Information Project on receiving £10,000 from the Scotch Whisky Action Fund; understands that the money will be used to run a series of diversionary activities for young people at risk of alcohol misuse; notes that diversionary activities will include training young people to deliver interactive diversionary workshops on the dangers of alcohol to their peers, other youth organisations and young people participating in the group’s holiday programme, as well as within secondary schools during their health days; acknowledges that the group will also run healthy games and activities in the evenings and at weekends when young people are known to drink to ensure that young people do not become drawn towards a life of alcohol misuse; understands that the activities will focus on topics that engage young people socially and will be accompanied by a programme that aims to educate and inform about safe alcohol consumption, and notes that 150 young people will benefit directly from the project, with 11 young people as volunteers, who will deliver interactive workshops to their peers on alcohol misuse.

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Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*

***S5M-20006 David Torrance: The Platform Girls Mountain Biking Group, Kirkcaldy**—That the Parliament congratulates the Platform Girls, which is a Kirkcaldy-based mountain biking group, on being shortlisted in the Community Project of the Year category at the Scottish Mountain Bike Awards; notes that this category recognises amazing work that is delivered outside of formal club structures; understands that the Platform Girls project began in 2017 to boost cycling opportunities for girls and young women in Fife; notes that the group focuses on improving health and wellbeing and tackling poverty and inequalities, which it does by working to remove physical and financial barriers to participation; commends the group for its dedication to promoting the fair treatment of young women and girls, and wishes it success at the awards.

***S5M-20005 Gil Paterson: New Active Schools Training Programme**—That the Parliament welcomes the new partnership between SAMH and sportscotland, which aims to help young people protect their mental health through physical activity and sport; understands that 400 Active Schools coordinators, including in Clydebank, will benefit from a new training programme that will teach practical ways of monitoring and managing young people's mental health; acknowledges that 6,425 pupils from Clydebank took part in Active Schools sessions over the last year; recognises that early intervention can make a positive difference to the lives of people struggling with their mental health, and commends all involved in this initiative.

***S5M-20004 Rona Mackay: Kirkintilloch Pub Named Scotland's Most Dog-friendly**—That the Parliament congratulates the Kirkintilloch pub, The Stables, on being the Scottish winner of the annual Rover Dog-Friendly Pub Awards; notes that the awards involved a contest, which included a public vote, against 70 other pubs in Scotland; understands that The Stables goes out of its way to accommodate the four-legged companions of their patrons by providing treats, water bowls, canine-friendly events and even a dog beer; acknowledges that the pub welcomes a high number of people out enjoying a walk along the canal with their dogs, and commends The Stables on its national recognition as a result of its "paw-friendly" measures and consideration for animal welfare.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-20003 Alexander Stewart: First Anniversary of the Scottish Forces Breakfast Club in Dunfermline**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the Scottish Forces Breakfast Club in Dunfermline will celebrate its first anniversary with a Christmas party on 20 December 2019; understands that the club now has over 125 members and has served up many hot meals to veterans and serving personnel on the first Saturday of each month at the British Legion in the city's New Row; acknowledges that the club assists others beyond the breakfast club, working with its sister charity, Who Dares Cares, in Edinburgh; congratulates the Scottish Forces Breakfast Club and its founder, Mike Boyle, on its outstanding success, and commends everyone involved for their highly benevolent work. **R**

Supported by: Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20002 Tom Arthur: Neilston Girl Takes Centre Stage in John Lewis Christmas Advert**—That the Parliament congratulates Ruby Dailly from Neilston on her starring role in the John Lewis 2019 Christmas advert; understands that the advert follows Ava, played by Ruby, who is aged 10 and a Neilston Primary School pupil, and her friendship with an accident-prone dragon, Excitable Edgar; notes that the advert highlights the importance of inclusion and acceptance at

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Christmas, ending with the tagline, “show them how much you care”; commends Ruby on this achievement and for bringing an early sense of Christmas spirit to the local area, and wishes her all the best for the future.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-20001 John Finnie: Amnesty International, Internet Giants Exploiting Users**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the report, *Surveillance Giants*, by Amnesty International into surveillance of users by the internet giants, Google and Facebook; understands that the report lays out how the surveillance-based business models of Facebook and Google allow for mass harvest of users’ data in exchange for the free use of their platforms, and uses what Amnesty believes to be exploitative algorithms to prey on vulnerable people; further understands that Amnesty chose to focus on Google and Facebook due to them having become fundamental to how people engage and interact with each other, effectively a new global public square, and welcomes Amnesty International’s calls on governments to protect citizens from corporate human rights abuses by enforcing robust data protection laws and regulating "Big Tech" companies in line with human rights law. **R**

Supported by: David Stewart*, John Mason*, Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-20000 Rona Mackay: Strathkelvin, St Andrew’s First Aid Corps Company of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates the Kirkintilloch-based Strathkelvin Company on being named by St Andrew’s First Aid as its Corps Company of the Year 2019; understands that this new award recognises the charity’s corps companies that demonstrate high rates of volunteer participation, offer varied and creative events and provide volunteering opportunities for the community; notes that Strathkelvin has more than 25 active first aid volunteers who attend a number of duties on a weekly basis, including as first aiders, cycle patrollers and communications and duty officers; acknowledges that the company’s members provide vital first aid support at events such as football matches, concerts, gala days and community talks; notes that, as well as its regular training nights, it organised a session prior to the TRNSMT festival to prepare volunteers who had not previously attended such a large-scale event to prepare them about the types of casualties to expect; acknowledges that, in addition to a thriving adult membership, it also has a growing cadet corps, which focuses on instilling knowledge and confidence in young people; commends the Strathkelvin Company on this recognition of its hard work, and thanks it for the crucial services that its volunteers provide to its community and nationally.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-19999 Gail Ross: NHS Near Me Success**—That the Parliament congratulates NHS Near Me on winning the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Lucian Leap Institute Medtronic Safety Culture & Technology Innovator Award for improving patient safety through the successful implementation of technology and culture change; notes that NHS Near Me provides outpatient consultations either at the patient’s home or at a local NHS Highland clinic and has been rolled out across the health board area over the last year; recognises that NHS Near Me has provided 2,700 video consultations across 31 clinical specialities, which, at current level of usage, is saving an estimated 350,000 travel miles per year for patients and clinicians across Highland, and wishes the project well for future years.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, John Mason*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Edward Mountain*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Kenneth Gibson*, Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*

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***[S5M-19998](#) Gil Paterson: Outcast Barbell Sanctuary Raises £3,000 for Kidney Kids**

Scotland—That the Parliament commends a group of powerlifting champions from Outcast Barbell Sanctuary in Clydebank for raising £3,000 for Kidney Kids Scotland; notes that the members of the gym, who recently returned from the World Powerlifting Championships in Slovakia with 13 medals between them, were inspired by gym owner Andrew Cairney's daughter, Simone, to stage a dead-lift competition in aid of the charity; understands that both Simone, who is four years old, and her seven-times world champion father live with duplex kidneys; believes that Andrew is an inspiring character within the powerlifting community, and wishes him, his daughter and all those involved with this impressive fundraising event well in all future endeavours.

Supported by: Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-19997](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Gang Show 2019**—That the Parliament celebrates the long-standing annual tradition of the Gang Show in Edinburgh, when over 250 young people from Scouting and Girlguiding appear at the King's Theatre with their spectacular production, the *60th Edinburgh Gang Show*; understands that on 14 November 1960 the first Edinburgh Gang Show was performed at the theatre, and that for nearly sixty years young people from Scouting and Girlguiding in Scotland's capital have taken part, entertaining audiences of thousands; notes that the production gives young people the opportunity to perform in one of the city's much-loved theatres and, through their participation, the young people gain skills for life; recognises that the Gang Show is a major part of the Scouting and Girlguiding programme and that, with the enthusiasm, commitment and ongoing support from its followers, there will be show-stopping musical numbers, fabulous choreography, stunning individual performances and comedy routines, and wishes all concerned in the production, including the support behind the scenes by many adult volunteers, every success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Annie Wells*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-19996](#) Gillian Martin: Gordon Gibb Recognised for Contribution to Education and Training at SQA Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Gordon Gibb, director of the Oldmeldrum-based company, Polaris Learning Ltd, on being recognised for his contribution to education and training at the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) Star Awards; recognises that Gordon was highly commended in the SQA Champion category, in acknowledgement of his involvement in supporting the development of Scotland's food and drink sector using SQA qualifications; notes that since 2010 Polaris has taken on five modern apprentices and that the team has certified thousands of food and drink SVQs; commends Gordon on this recognition, and wishes him and Polaris well.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-19995](#) Margaret Mitchell: Dyslexia Unwrapped**—That the Parliament acknowledges the website, Dyslexia Unwrapped, which has been designed for 8- to 18-year-olds by Dyslexia Scotland; notes that it acts as an online hub and provides a host of information, including tips for learning, information about the condition and films of the charity's young ambassadors talking about their experiences; applauds the young ambassadors for making these films; highlights the three age-related sections on the website, which provide tailored information to suit each stage of learning, and encourages young people with dyslexia to use this valuable source of information, which can be found at unwrapped.dyslexiascotland.org.uk.

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[*S5M-19994 Rhoda Grant: Another Gruelling Challenge for Ally K](#)—That the Parliament commends Ally MacPherson from Skye, who is known as "Ally K", on embarking on another gruelling challenge, which will see him attempt to run the 180-mile distance between Glasgow and Inverness in just 70 hours to raise money for Highland Hospice; understands that this will be Ally's fourth endurance challenge; congratulates him on his tremendous efforts so far, which have raised £78,000 for various good causes; notes that these have seen him raise money for Cancer Research UK, by becoming the first man on record to run the 125-mile distance around Skye in 35 hours, running from Skye to Inverness non-stop, in aid of Maggie's Highlands, and navigating 10 islands on the west coast in two days, to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, and wishes Ally the very best of luck with this latest challenge.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-19993 Alasdair Allan: Murdo MacLeod, Outstanding Individual of the Year](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bill Kidd*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19991 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Schools Receive UNICEF Award on World Children's Day](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19990 Alasdair Allan: R A Colby Cubbin No. 3](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19989 Jenny Gilruth: Cadham Pharmacy Health Centre Wins Pharmacy Practice of the Year 2019](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19988 John Mason: Environmental Impact of Black Friday](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19987 Joan McAlpine: Dumfries and Galloway College SQA Star Award](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Finlay Carson*, Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19986 Stewart Stevenson: AbilityNet Increases Technology Accessibility](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19985 Joan McAlpine: Eggs, Imports and Tariffs](#) (lodged on 20 November 2019)

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New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19984](#) Liam Kerr: The Queen's Guide Award for Aimee McLaggan (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19983](#) Liam Kerr: Kimberley Oliver Wins Women in Finance Award (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*, Gil Paterson*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*

[S5M-19982](#) Richard Lyle: Jordan Fairlamb, Apprenticeship Awards Winner (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19981](#) Maureen Watt: National Tree Week (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19980](#) Peter Chapman: Eilidh Ewan Receives Duke of Edinburgh Award (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19978](#) Bill Bowman: Dundonians Among Winners at the Scottish Qualifications Authority Star Awards (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*

[S5M-19977](#) Bill Bowman: The McManus Awarded Best Visitor Attraction Prize at Scottish Thistle Awards (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19976](#) Bill Bowman: Tayside Team Recognised at Awards for Developing New Test to Detect Liver Disease (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Stuart McMillan*

[S5M-19975](#) Bill Bowman: Broughty Ferry Shop Owner Raises More than £20,000 for Charity over 10 Years (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19974](#) Shona Robison: Hullo! Bonjour! Ola! Ciao! (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19973](#) Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen Donside Girls, 2019 U13 World Girls Football Cup Winners (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*

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[S5M-19972](#) Alexander Burnett: #kidsforCAMHS Volunteers Award 2019 Finalists (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19971](#) Peter Chapman: Relay for Life (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19970](#) Jenny Gilruth: Kinglassie's Busy Bees Youth Group and Kats Mission Help Homeless People (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-19968](#) Gil Paterson: Chris Rankin Memorial Gymnastics Competition (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*

[S5M-19965](#) Gillian Martin: Girls in Energy Conference (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19964](#) Liam McArthur: 10th Anniversary of the UHI Student Development Fund (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, John Finnie*

[S5M-19963](#) Annabelle Ewing: Aberdour Puppy Power Event (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Edward Mountain*, Emma Harper*, Rona Mackay*, David Torrance*, Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-19961](#) John Finnie: Amnesty International's Call for the Release of Catalan Leaders (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-19960](#) Annabelle Ewing: PC Kathryn Murray Braves the Shave for Macmillan Cancer Support (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19959](#) Neil Findlay: Community Action Blackburn (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19957](#) Claire Baker: SCAN Art in Action Campaign (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: John Mason*, Mark Ruskell*

[S5M-19956](#) Alasdair Allan: Tighean Innse Gall, Installer of the Year (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*, John Finnie*

[S5M-19948](#) Jenny Gilruth: Rollos Law Backs Will Aid (lodged on 19 November 2019)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19947](#) Mark McDonald: 25 Years of the Organ Donor Register (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*, Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19946](#) Gillian Martin: St Andrew's Church Playgroup, Inverurie (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19945](#) Peter Chapman: Huntly Singer, Iona Fyfe, Shortlisted for Award (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19944](#) Peter Chapman: Report Praises Aberdeenshire's Adoption Service (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19943](#) Tom Arthur: Social Enterprise Awards Scotland 2019 (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19942](#) Brian Whittle: Kayleigh Haggio Sets Race Running World Record (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-19941](#) Gordon MacDonald: Cheyne Gang Singing Group (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Gil Paterson*, Richard Lyle*

[S5M-19938](#) Gil Paterson: Charlie Smith Success in Drumchapel Inter-Club Tennis Championship (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19937](#) David Torrance: Rachel Smith, Raising Awareness of Meningitis (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19936](#) David Torrance: Nun Finishes Degree at 79 (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19935](#) Rhoda Grant: 25 Years of Friends of the Far North Line (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, John Finnie*

[S5M-19934](#) David Torrance: Cottage Family Centre Christmas Appeal (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

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[S5M-19933](#) David Torrance: New Weekly Artisan Market (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19932](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy-based Seescape Opens to Public (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19931](#) Daniel Johnson: Parentline, Celebrating 20 Years of Volunteer-led Family Support (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Sarah Boyack*, Iain Gray*, Miles Briggs*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19929](#) Emma Harper: International Transgender Day of Remembrance (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Monica Lennon*, Pauline McNeill*

[S5M-19926](#) Angela Constance: Dignity Box Charity Shop Opens New Premises in Livingston (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19923](#) Angela Constance: West Lothian College Recognised at Scottish Digital Business Awards (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19920](#) Bruce Crawford: Shelter Scotland's Are You With Us? Campaign (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: John Mason*, Angus MacDonald*, Mark Griffin*, Stuart McMillan*, Stewart Stevenson*, Angela Constance*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-19919](#) Linda Fabiani: Nae Pasaran! Bob's Engine Returns to East Kilbride (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Clare Adamson*, Angela Constance*

[S5M-19915](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian's John Thomson Raises over £4,000 for Prostate Cancer Research (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19914](#) Neil Findlay: Opening of Food Bank in West Lothian (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19913](#) Neil Findlay: Broxburn's Meg Wishart Shortlisted for Inspiring Women List (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19912](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian Teacher Toni Scullion Wins Scottish Women in Technology Award (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

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[S5M-19910](#) Gil Paterson: SportsScotland Gold Award for Mosshead Primary School (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19909](#) Gillian Martin: Brenna Collie, Young Photography Award Winner (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19908](#) Colin Beattie: Award-winning Company, Hey Girls, Fights Period Poverty (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19906](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Life Awards (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19900](#) Gail Ross: The Caithness Broch Project (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19899](#) Gil Paterson: Youth Achievement Awards for Clydebank High School Pupils (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19898](#) Monica Lennon: International Transgender Day of Remembrance (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19897](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway LGBT+ Adult Service (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19895](#) Angela Constance: Seafield Community Education Centre Management Committee Receives Funding (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19894](#) Angela Constance: Kirknewton Community Development Trust Receives Funding (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19890](#) Angus MacDonald: Dr Ken Thomson OBE (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19889](#) Iain Gray: From Dunbar to Dubai, Celebrating Maria Lyle's World Para-Athletics Championship Medals (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

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[S5M-19881](#) Angela Constance: West Lothian College Students Speak at National Conference (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19879](#) Ruth Maguire: Scottish Apprentice of the Year 2019 (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19878](#) Ruth Maguire: Ayrshire College Kilwinning Campus Graduation (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19877](#) Ruth Maguire: Diamond Wedding Celebrations for Irvine Couple (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19875](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian College Students Receive Tam Dalyell Scholarships (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19874](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Pentlands Men's Shed (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald*

[S5M-19870](#) Stewart Stevenson: Businesses' Response to Flooding (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19867](#) Gillian Martin: Bert Fowlie Butcher Crowned Scottish Butcher's Shop of the Year for Third Year in a Row (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19865](#) Clare Adamson: New Health Improvement Role for Lesley Nish (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19864](#) Christine Grahame: West Linton's Centenary Field (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19860](#) Stewart Stevenson: Inspectors Praise St Andrews Primary School in Fraserburgh (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19858](#) Gil Paterson: No Home for Domestic Abuse - Breaking the Cycle (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

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[S5M-19855](#) Christine Grahame: Peebles High Goes Plastic Bottle Free (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19853](#) Clare Adamson: Alan Burrows Wins SPFL CEO of the Year (lodged on 13 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-19799](#) Miles Briggs: Name a Street after Tom Gilzean (lodged on 08 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19745](#) Iain Gray: #InvestInYouthWork Campaign (lodged on 05 November 2019)

New Support: Willie Rennie*

[S5M-19700](#) Jackie Baillie: ENABLE Scotland Campaign, In Safe Hands? (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19425](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian Stellar Awards (lodged on 14 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19424](#) Neil Findlay: Food Bank Use in West Lothian (lodged on 14 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19423](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian College Shortlisted for Education Buildings Scotland Award (lodged on 14 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19285](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian College Student Speaks at Parliamentary Reception (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19246](#) Elaine Smith: The Positive Contribution of Catholic Schools (lodged on 03 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

[S5M-19242](#) Liam McArthur: Hayley Budge, Bravery Award (lodged on 03 October 2019)

New Support: Angela Constance*

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Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

Written questions lodged on 21 November 2019

[S5W-26471](#) David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what further announcements it plans to make regarding the roll-out of electronic prescribing and medicines administration (ePMA) systems.

[S5W-26472](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what actions and commitments were agreed at the energy suppliers roundtable, which it hosted on 19 January 2018, and what progress has been made in taking forward each of these, including those concerning compiling Scotland-specific data covering (a) pre-payment meters, (b) warrants, (c) smart meter installs and (d) the number of customers enrolled on (i) the Priority Services Register and (ii) standard variable tariffs.

[S5W-26474](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the Consumers and Markets Taskforce has had with Citizens Advice Scotland regarding options for a unified priority services register across public authorities, agencies and utilities.

[S5W-26475](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to convene a further meeting of energy suppliers and consumer organisations to discuss support for vulnerable consumers.

[S5W-26478](#) Mark McDonald: To ask the Scottish Government how many additional support needs tribunals have been held in each local authority area under the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 in each of the last five years, broken down by what percentage of appeals were upheld.

[S5W-26479](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what actions it is taking to improve the administration of medicines by NHS boards.

[S5W-26480](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government whether it records information on how many medication errors are made every year in the NHS, and, if so, whether it will provide the figures for each year since 2007.

[S5W-26481](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the role that automated medicine cabinets can play in reducing deaths linked to medication errors in the NHS.

[S5W-26482](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-25487 by Jeane Freeman on 25 September 2019, what further announcements it plans to make on the roll-out of HEPMA (Hospital Electronic Prescribing and Medicines Administration).

[S5W-26483](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has delayed the publication of its Neurological Action Plan, and by what date the plan will be published.

[S5W-26484](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the delay of the publication of the Neurological Action Plan, which was due to be published on 8 November 2019, for what reason it was in a position that day to announce in its news release, *Strengthening the hospital workforce*, the planned appointment of an additional neurology specialist.

[S5W-26485](#) Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what advice it gives to people working, living, or hiking in areas with infected ticks and livestock. **R**

[S5W-26486](#) Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to comments by a senior clinician from the University of Glasgow's School of Veterinary Medicine that "the presence of *B. venatorum* in the UK represents a new risk to humans working, living, or hiking in areas with infected ticks and livestock, particularly sheep." **R**

[S5W-26487](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what impact its proposed deposit return system will have on climate emissions.

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[S5W-26488](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has revised the estimated £13 million in annual savings for local authorities from a deposit returns system that was set out in the 2015 paper, *Review of feasibility study for a Deposit Return System for Drinks Containers*, and, if so, what the latest estimate is.

[S5W-26489](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of sub-zero temperatures being recorded in the city in November 2019, what its response is to calls for night shelters in Glasgow to open before 1 December.

[S5W-26490](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what bids it has received from Glasgow City Council, or the local authority's arms length external organisations, for support from the Ending Homelessness Together fund in each year since 2017.

[S5W-26491](#) Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government when MSPs and other interested parties will be consulted on the review of the 2014 Scottish Prison Service paper, *Gender Identity and Gender Reassignment Policy for those in our Custody*.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 21 November 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2

Before section 2

Andy Wightman

84 Before section 2, insert—

<Liability for rates

Liability for rates: owners of lands and heritages

After section 16 of the 1956 Act insert—

“16A Liability for rates: owners of lands and heritages

- (1) In the event that a rating authority has been unable to recover rates levied in respect of any lands and heritages from the occupier of those lands and heritages the rating authority has the right to recover the rates from the owner of those lands and heritages.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the circumstances in which a rating authority may seek to recover rates in respect of lands and heritages from the owner of those lands and heritages.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (2) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

After section 4

Sarah Boyack

85 After section 4, insert—

<Entering of certain student accommodation in valuation roll

After section 7B of the 1956 Act insert—

“7C Entering of certain student accommodation in valuation roll

- (1) For the purposes of the levying of rates in respect of any year subsequent to the coming into force of this section, any landlord is liable to be rated if—
 - (a) the purpose of letting the property is to confer on the tenant the right to occupy the let property while the tenant is a student, and
 - (b) subsections (2) or (3) applies to the tenancy.
- (2) This subsection applies to a tenancy if the landlord is not—
 - (a) a university or constituent college, school or hall of a university,
 - (b) a central institution within the meaning of section 135(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (“the 1980 Act”),
 - (c) a designated institution within the meaning of section 44(2) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (“the 1992 Act”),
 - (d) an institution for the provision of further education within the meaning of section 135(1) of the 1980 Act which is administered by an education authority,

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- (e) a college of further education which is managed by a board of management in terms of Part 1 of the 1992 Act,
 - (f) an association approved under regulation 8 of the Further Education (Scotland) Regulations 1959 (S.I. 1959/477),
 - (g) the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.
- (3) This subsection applies to a tenancy if—
- (a) planning permission for the construction, conversion or change of use of the building (or part of the building) of which the let property forms part was given on the basis that the let property would be used predominantly for housing students, and
 - (b) the landlord is an institutional provider of student accommodation.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3), a landlord is an institutional provider of student accommodation if—
- (a) the landlord lets, or is entitled to let, other properties in the same building or complex as the let property,
 - (b) the let property and the other properties together include at least 30 bedrooms, and
 - (c) the landlord uses, or intends to use, the other properties predominantly for the purpose of housing students.
- (5) In determining for the purposes of subsection (1) whether during any year the provisions of that subsection apply to any lands and heritages, no account shall be taken of any time in that year during which those lands and heritages were used in any other way, or as the case may be, for any other purpose, if that time does not amount to a substantial part of the year.
- (6) In this section, “student” means a person who is pursuing a course of study provided by a body referred to in subsection (2).”.>

Section 7

Sarah Boyack

86 In section 7, page 6, leave out lines 6 and 7

Sarah Boyack

87 In section 7, page 7, leave out lines 18 and 19

After section 8

Sarah Boyack

88 After section 8, insert—

<Assessors

Duty to report on the number of assessors in valuation authority areas

After section 27 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 insert—

“27A Duty to report on the number of assessors in valuation authority areas

- (1) Each valuation authority must, as soon as practicable after the end of each three-year period beginning with the day on which this section comes into force, make a report to the Scottish Ministers on the number of assessors and depute assessors holding office in their area.

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- (2) The Scottish Ministers must lay a report before the Scottish Parliament that—
- (a) collates the reports provided by valuation authorities under subsection (1),
 - (b) considers whether there are—
 - (i) sufficient assessors and depute assessors holding office,
 - (ii) sufficient financial resources,
 to enable the fulfilment of the legislative functions of assessors in all valuation authority areas.
- (3) A report under subsection (2) must be laid before the Scottish Parliament as soon as reasonably practicable after all valuation authorities have submitted reports to the Scottish Ministers under subsection (1).>

Section 9

Sarah Boyack

89 In section 9, page 8, line 11, at end insert—

- <(4A) The Scottish Ministers must issue guidance to rating authorities about the exercise of powers conferred by subsection (1) in relation to lands and heritages of the type mentioned in subsection (1).
- (4B) A rating authority must have regard to such guidance.
- (4C) Guidance under subsection (4A) may be—
- (a) general or for particular purposes,
 - (b) different in relation to different persons or otherwise for different purposes.
- (4D) Before issuing guidance under subsection (4A), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
- (a) such person or persons as appear to the Scottish Ministers to represent the interests of local authorities, and
 - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.
- (4E) Subsection (4D) is complied with even if the consultation took place, or began, before this section comes into force.
- (4F) The Scottish Ministers must publish, in such manner as they consider appropriate, any guidance issued under subsection (4A).
- (4G) The power to issue guidance under subsection (4A) includes power to revise the guidance (and the references to guidance in subsections (4B) to (4F) include references to such revised guidance).>

After section 9

Sarah Boyack

90 After section 9, insert—

<Sustainable business practices: rates relief

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for relief from the payment of non-domestic rates in respect of lands and heritages where the proprietor, tenant or (as the case may be) occupier has adopted sustainable business practices.
- (2) For the purposes of this section “sustainable business practices” include—

- (a) reducing waste,
 - (b) reducing greenhouse gas emissions,
 - (c) procuring goods which are—
 - (i) produced locally to the lands and heritages,
 - (ii) environmentally sustainable,
 - (d) the use of energy derived from renewable, zero emission sources, as well as energy saved through energy efficiency measures.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may (in particular) make provision for or about—
- (a) rates of relief (including by reference to thresholds),
 - (b) periods for which relief is available,
 - (c) eligibility for relief.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may make different provision for different purposes.
- (5) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Sarah Boyack

91 After section 9, insert—

<Positive business practices: rates relief

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for relief from the payment of non-domestic rates in respect of lands and heritages where the proprietor, tenant or (as the case may be) occupier has adopted positive business practices.
- (2) For the purposes of this section “positive business practices” include—
 - (a) not using zero hours contracts,
 - (b) the payment of a living wage,
 - (c) practices which have a positive effect on the—
 - (i) local economy,
 - (ii) environment,
 - (d) the use of district heating.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may (in particular) make provision for or about—
 - (a) rates of relief (including by reference to thresholds),
 - (b) periods for which relief is available,
 - (c) eligibility for relief.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may make different provision for different purposes,
- (5) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (6) In this section—
 - “living wage” means remuneration which is sufficient to ensure an acceptable standard of living,
 - “zero hours contract” means a contract of employment or other worker's contract under which—
 - (a) the undertaking to do or perform work or services is an undertaking to do so conditionally on the employer making work or services available to the worker, and

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- (b) there is no certainty that any such work or services will be made available to the worker.>

Sarah Boyack

92 After section 9, insert—

<Contribution to net-zero emissions target: rates relief

- (1) Section 153 of the 1994 Act (power of secretary of state to prescribe amount of non-domestic rate), is amended as follows.
- (2) After subsection (3)(b) insert—
 - “(c) whose contribution to the net-zero emissions target including through investment in district heating fall into different categories prescribed for the purpose of this paragraph in rules under subsection (1).”.
- (3) In section (3A) after “subsection (3)(b)” insert “and (3)(c)”.>

After section 10

Sarah Boyack

93 After section 10, insert—

<Charitable relief: arms-length bodies and external organisations

- (1) Section 4 of the 1962 Act (reduction and remission of rates payable by charitable and other organisations) is amended as follows.
- (2) After subsection (13) insert—
 - “(14) Any reduction or remission of rates under subsection (5) in respect of lands and heritages which are wholly or mainly used by bodies where a local authority is a trustee should not be offset by a reduction in annual central government grants to that authority.”.>

Section 11

Sarah Boyack

94 In section 11, page 9, line 18, after <must> insert <—

- <(a) lay a draft of the proposed guidance before the Scottish Parliament,
- (b)>

Sarah Boyack

95 In section 11, page 9, line 22, at end insert—

- <(7DA) The Scottish Ministers must not issue guidance under subsection (7A) until after a period of 40 days beginning with the day on which the draft guidance was laid before the Parliament under subsection (7D)(a).
- (7DB) If, within that period, the Parliament resolves that the guidance proposed should not be given, Ministers must not give it.
- (7DC) In calculating any period of 40 days for the purposes of subsection (7DA) or (7DB) above, no account is to be taken of any time during which the Parliament is dissolved or is in recess for more than 4 days.>

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Section 16

Sarah Boyack

- 96 In section 16, page 13, line 14, leave out <21> and insert <42>

Section 18

Sarah Boyack

- 97 In section 18, page 14, leave out lines 23 and 24

Section 19

Sarah Boyack

- 98 In section 19, page 15, leave out lines 14 and 15

Section 20

Sarah Boyack

- 99 In section 20, page 16, leave out lines 9 and 10

Section 21

Sarah Boyack

- 100 In section 21, page 16, leave out lines 38 and 39

Section 23

Sarah Boyack

- 101 In section 23, page 17. line 16, at end insert—
 <() Regulations under subsection (1) may make provision for the recovery of rates from the proprietor, tenant or occupier of lands and heritages where any of those persons has sought to obtain an advantage arising from a non-domestic rates avoidance arrangement.>

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Section 3

Michael Russell

- 90 In section 3, page 3, line 2, after <have> insert <, in the validity period>

Michael Russell

- 91 In section 3, page 3, line 3, leave out <previously>

Michael Russell

- 92 In section 3, page 3, line 5, at end insert—

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- <(8) In subsection (7), the “validity period” means—
- (a) the period composed of the session of the Scottish Parliament in which the proposed date of the referendum falls, or
 - (b) if subsection (9) applies, the period composed of the session of the Scottish Parliament in which the proposed date of the referendum falls and the preceding session.
- (9) This subsection applies if the Scottish Parliament, on a motion by a member of the Scottish Government, resolves that the validity period mentioned in subsection (8)(b) should apply in relation to the question or statement.
- (10) Before lodging a motion referred to in subsection (9), the Scottish Ministers must consult the Electoral Commission.
- (11) At the same time as lodging a motion referred to in subsection (9), the Scottish Ministers must lay before the Scottish Parliament a document—
- (a) giving details of the consultation carried out under subsection (10), and
 - (b) setting out the reasons why they consider the validity period mentioned in subsection (8)(b) should apply in relation to the question or statement.
- (12) In subsection (8), for the purpose of reckoning the number of sessions in a period, any extraordinary general election in that period is to be disregarded unless it is one which results in section 3(3) of the Scotland Act 1998 having effect.>

After section 3

Jackie Baillie

- 4A As an amendment to amendment 4, line 5, leave out <10> and insert <12>

James Kelly

- 93 After section 3, insert—

<Referendum result

The result of the referendum is valid only if the number of votes cast represents a minimum of 50% of the total number of persons entitled to vote in the referendum.>

Neil Findlay

- 94 After section 3, insert—

<Citizen initiative referendum

- (1) A person entitled to vote (within the meaning of section 4) may petition the Electoral Commission for a referendum to be held on one or more questions.
- (2) Where the Electoral Commission receive a petition under subsection (1), they must as soon as reasonably practicable—
 - (a) make the petition available by electronic means (such as for example by means of the internet), and
 - (b) promote the petition in such manner as they consider sufficient to ensure that the petition is brought to the attention of all those who would be entitled to vote in a referendum.
- (3) Where, within such period of time as may be specified by the Commission, a petition under subsection (1) receives 300,000 or more signatures, a referendum is to be held.

- (4) A referendum held under this section is advisory.
- (5) It is for the Electoral Commission to specify the wording of the question or questions in a referendum held under this section.
- (6) A referendum held under this section is to be conducted in accordance with this Act, subject to such modifications (if any) as may be specified in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers.
- (7) Regulations under subsection (6) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Jackie Baillie

95 After section 3, insert—

<Minimum regulated period

Where a referendum is to be held under section (*Citizen initiative referendum*), the referendum period is to be a minimum of 14 weeks.>

Schedule 2

James Kelly

96 In schedule 2, page 51, line 38, at end insert—

<Day of polling

The day of polling is to be a Saturday.>

James Kelly

97 In schedule 2, page 52, line 2, leave out <7am> and insert <6am>

James Kelly

98 In schedule 2, page 52, line 2, leave out <10pm> and insert <11pm>

Schedule 3

Alex Rowley

99 In schedule 3, page 80, line 18, leave out <permitted participant> and insert <or more (but no more than three) permitted participants>

Alex Rowley

100 In schedule 3, page 81, leave out lines 1 to 8 and insert—

- <(4) If there are no more than three applications in relation to a particular outcome in the referendum, the Commission must designate each of the applicants unless they are not satisfied that each applicant adequately represents a sufficient proportion of those campaigning for that outcome.
- (5) If there are more than three applications in relation to a particular outcome in the referendum, the Commission must designate whichever of the applicants together appear to them to represent to the greatest extent those campaigning for that outcome unless they are not satisfied that one or more of the applicants adequately represents a sufficient proportion of those campaigning for that outcome.
- (5A) In considering for the purposes of sub-paragraphs (4) and (5) whether an applicant adequately represents a sufficient proportion of those campaigning for a particular outcome in the referendum, the Commission must take into account the number of officially recognised supporters an applicant has.>

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Jackie Baillie

101 In schedule 3, page 81, line 10, leave out <28> and insert <56>

James Kelly

102 In schedule 3, page 81, line 13, at end insert—

<Assistance available to designated organisations

- (1) Where the Commission have made any designation under this Part, the Commission must make a grant of £100,000 to each designated organisation.
- (2) A grant under this paragraph may be made subject to such conditions as the Commission consider appropriate.>

Alex Rowley

103 In schedule 3, page 90, line 7, at end insert—

<(1A) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(a), where more than one permitted participant is a designated organisation in relation to a particular outcome in the referendum, the expenses incurred by each must not exceed the amount calculated by multiplying £1,500,000 by the designated organisation's relevant percentage.

(1B) In sub-paragraph (1A), a designated organisation's relevant percentage is the percentage that the number of the organisation's officially recognised supporters is of the total number of officially recognised supporters of all designated organisations in relation to that outcome in the referendum.>

Jackie Baillie

104 In schedule 3, page 95, line 25, leave out <6> and insert <3>

Jackie Baillie

105 In schedule 3, page 95, line 28, leave out <3 months> and insert <one month>

Section 25

James Kelly

106 In section 25, page 14, line 22, at end insert—

<() Each Scottish public authority must take such steps as it considers appropriate to—

- (a) encourage people entitled to vote in the referendum to register to vote,
- (b) promote public awareness and understanding in Scotland about—
 - (i) registering to vote,
 - (ii) the manner of voting, including how and when to vote, and
 - (iii) any such other matter about voting in the referendum as it considers appropriate.>

Section 27

James Kelly

107 In section 27, page 15, line 5, at end insert—

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<() If the Scottish Ministers ask the Electoral Commission for advice as described in subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must act in accordance with that advice in discharging their duties under this Act.>

Section 29

James Kelly

108 In section 29, page 15, line 17, at end insert—

<() In preparing the report, the Electoral Commission must consult with the Commission for Equality and Human Rights in relation to the Commission’s Scottish functions.>

James Kelly

109 In section 29, page 15, line 20, at end insert—

<() any representation made by the Commission for Equality and Human Rights.>

Section 39

Jackie Baillie

110 In section 39, page 19, line 1, leave out <6> and insert <8>

After section 39

Jackie Baillie

111 After section 39, insert—

<Requirement for confirmatory referendum

Requirement for confirmatory referendum

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may not implement the result of a referendum on a constitutional matter unless proposals based on the outcome of negotiations, plans and preparations for implementation of the result have been approved by a further referendum (referred to in this section as a “confirmatory referendum”).
- (2) A confirmatory referendum is to be conducted in accordance with this Act, subject to such modifications (if any) as may be specified in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (2) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2

Section 17

Ross Greer

33 In section 17, page 6, line 26, at end insert—

<() However, an enforcement officer must notify the Police Service of Scotland before requesting assistance from any other person.>

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Section 19

Ross Greer

34 In section 19, page 7, line 20, at end insert—

<() However, an enforcement officer must notify the Police Service of Scotland before requesting assistance from any other person.>

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Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx>

Final Proposals for Member's Bills

Claire Baker: Proposed Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to amend the law of culpable homicide to ensure that where loss of life is caused by the recklessness or gross negligence of individuals, companies or organisations that, where proved, the wrongdoer can be convicted of the offence that reflects the appropriate seriousness and moral opprobrium of what occurred.

(lodged 12 November 2019)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: *Jenny Marra

Margaret Mitchell: Proposed Mediation (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to increase the use and consistency of mediation services for certain civil cases by establishing a new standardised process for mediation in Scottish courts which includes provision of a mandatory information process (lodged 12 November 2019)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

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Pauline McNeill MSP: Proposed Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to protect private sector tenants by introducing measures to limit rent increases and to increase the availability of information about rent levels (lodged 14 November 2019).

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Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 20 November 2019

Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 29 October 2019

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 26 November 2019

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 31 October 2019

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 26 November 2019

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 20 November 2019

Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 14 November 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Local Government and Communities Committee), 27 November 2019

Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 20 November 2019

Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 10 October 2019

Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work

Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Finance and Constitution Committee), 27 November 2019

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice Committee)), 26 November 2019

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 28 November 2019

Stage 1 Report – Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee (14th Report, 2019)

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 21 November 2019

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 26 November 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2, 28 November 2019

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 22 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2018

Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.

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Legislative Consent Memorandums

The UK Parliament dissolved on 6 November 2019. There are currently no Legislative Consent Memorandums being considered by the Scottish Parliament.

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

Subordinate Legislation (*date of laying*) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 06 December 2019

[Official Statistics \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
(25 October 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)

Lead Committee report due by 06 December 2019

[Public Services Reform \(The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman\) \(Healthcare Whistleblowing\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (28 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Lead Committee report due by 09 December 2019

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (31 October 2019) (Social Security)

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Support for Vulnerable Persons\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (01 November 2019) (Justice)

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Ancillary Provision\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
(08 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

[Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
(08 November 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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Subject to annulment by 28 November 2019
Lead committee to report by 25 November 2019

[M8 Motorway \(Junction 29A Off Slip Road\) \(40mph Speed Limit\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/312\)](#)
(04 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 05 December 2019
Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

[Conservation \(Natural Habitats, &c.\) Amendment \(No. 2\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/320\)](#)
(11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/322\)](#)
(11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/325\)](#)
(11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 06 December 2019
Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

[National Health Service \(Charges to Overseas Visitors\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/333\)](#)
(23 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

[Public Health Scotland Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/336\)](#)
(25 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 06 December 2019
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[Fishing Boats Designation \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/345\)](#)
(28 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 08 December 2019
Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

[Scottish Dental Practice Board Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/346\)](#) *(30 October 2019)*
 (Health and Sport)

[Agriculture Market Measures \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/347\)](#) *(30 October 2019)* (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Waste \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/356\)](#) *(30 October 2019)* (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/357\)](#)
(31 October 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension Schemes \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/358\)](#) (31 October 2019) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 10 December 2019
Lead committee to report by 09 December 2019

[Robert Gordon University \(Scotland\) Order of Council 2019 \(SSI 2019/375\)](#) (05 November 2019)
(Education and Skills)

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

[Police Pensions Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/380\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/381\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/382\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Eligibility for Appointment\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/384\)](#)
(14 November 2019) (Social Security)

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 2019/393](#) (18 November 2019)
(Local Government and Communities)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

Lead committee report due 06 February 2020

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 November 2019 for approval—

Proposed Draft Order – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

Proposed Explanatory Document – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 ((S/2019/249) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

Petitions

The following petition was lodged with the Parliament on 20 November 2019:

PE1767 by Stewart Munro on Scottish fire and rescue legislation and human rights

PE1771 by William Tait on Potential abuse within Scottish local authorities

A full list of petitions can be viewed on the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/gettinginvolved/petitions/ViewPetitions.aspx>

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report will be published on Friday 22 November—

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing, 2nd Report, 2019 (Session 5): Report on capital resources for Police Scotland in the Scottish Government's 2020-21 budget (SP Paper 632)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 21 November 2019 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Annual Report and Accounts 2018-19 SG/2019/250
laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance & Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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